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Anticipated Classification of this application:

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Prior application:

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Art Unit: 3753

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REQUEST FOR A CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) a  
(X) continuation application of:  
( ) divisional application of:

Pending Prior Application

Application No. 10/094,527 filed March 8, 2002

Title CHECK VALVE

Name of applicant(s) David Onstenk & Erik E. Erlandson

Copy of Application

(X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the drawings.  
( ) Enclosed is a new specification, including new drawings.

Oath or Declaration

(X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior Declaration (37 CFR 1.63(d)).  
( ) Enclosed is a newly executed Declaration (original or copy).

Foreign Priority - 35 USC 119

( ) Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 has been claimed in prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) The certified copy has been filed in prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
filed \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) A separate paper claiming direct priority to a foreign application is enclosed herewith. A certified copy of the foreign application will be provided in due course.

Relate Back - 35 USC 120

(X) Amend the specification after the title by inserting the following heading:

--Cross Reference To Related Application(s)--;  
and add the paragraph:

--This is a (X) continuation ( ) divisional  
of copending application number 10/094,527 filed on March 8, 2002  
which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

Inventorship Statement

- ( ) Delete the following named individuals as inventors in this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(b) as a result of a change in the claimed subject matter:

Appointment of Associate Attorney

- ( ) Recognize as Associate Attorney or Agent \_\_\_\_\_  
Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) authorization is hereby granted by signature below of the Attorney or Agent of record  
( ) the Associate Attorney or Agent may not have the authority to appoint other Attorneys or Agents

Communications

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Other Amendments

- (X) Before calculating the filing fee, amend the prior application as follows:  
(X) Cancel the following claims 15, 16, 17 & 18 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).  
(X) Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

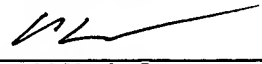
Fee Calculation

- (X) The filing fee is calculated below for (X) Utility ( ) Design

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(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) TOTALS
TOTAL CLAIMS	29 — 20	9	X \$18	\$ 162
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	5 — 3	2	X \$84	\$ 168
ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS	0		\$280	\$ 0
BASIC FEE: Design ( \$330.00 ); Utility ( \$750.00 )				\$ 750
TOTAL FILING FEE				\$ 1,080
TOTAL CHARGES TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT				\$ 1,080

Charge \$ 1,080 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any over payment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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